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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office action dated October 18, 2005. A one-month period for response was set, making a reply due by November 18, 2005. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.

Applicants elect Group II (claim 49), and SEQ ID NOS: 22 and 23, with traverse.